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LEADING THE NEWS

Smithfield Plans to Convert Pig Waste Lagoons Into Energy (1)

By Amena H. Saiyid

Virginia-based Smithfield Foods Inc.'s plan to cap some pig waste lagoons using digesters that produce energy is a positive step but fails to address strong odors and accidental spills, according to environmentalists.

UK Waste, Chemical Companies Worry Over No-Deal Brexit

By Ali Qassim

U.K. waste management and chemical companies are afraid they will have to pay the price for the government's lack of adequate planning for the possibility of a no-deal Brexit in five months.

Supreme Court Asked to Review EPA Wetlands Authority

By David Schultz

The EPA could get another set of eyes reviewing its decisions around wetlands and construction projects if the Supreme Court agrees to hear an appeal out of Michigan.

TODAY'S NEWS

Floating Wind Farms for California Move a Step Closer to Reality

By Bobby Magill and Emily C. Dooley

The political stars are aligning to start offshore wind on floating turbines along the West Coast as the region gears up to harness a potential new source of clean power.

Biocide Authorization Taking Too Long, EU Companies Say

By Adam Allington

Biocides can kill problematic living organisms, from single-cell bacteria to rodents. Because of that, they are among the most strictly regulated families of chemicals in Europe.

Utilities Would Get Clarity on Cyber Info Sharing Under Energy Rule

By Rebecca Kern

The Energy Department wants to specify how it designates, protects, and shares cybersecurity information from utilities with other federal agencies and the rest of the electricity industry in a new proposed rule.

EPA Chided Over Defense to Gulf Pollution Claims

By Steven M. Sellers

A federal judge chided the EPA for defending itself from an environmental group's suit by asserting that its documents on loosened oxygen standards for some Gulf Coast waters "speak for themselves."

Democrats Target Trump Environmental Rollbacks if They Win House

By Jennifer A. Dlouhy

Democratic lawmakers are quietly making plans to use hearings and investigations to focus attention on the Trump administration's environmental agenda if they win control of the House of Representatives.

GM Breaks With Trump in Call for National Electric Car Mandate

By Ryan Beene and John Lippert

The Trump administration wants to end California's requirement for automakers to sell more electric cars in the state each year. America's biggest automaker has a different idea: Adopt the rule nationwide.

How Much Monsanto Herbicide Roundup Can You Tolerate in Your Food?

By Deena Shanker and Lydia Mulvany

By now, many consumers have heard of glyphosate, the active ingredient in the herbicide known as Roundup, and warnings about its presence in many of their favorite foods. From oatmeal to granola bars, ice cream to even orange juice, trace amounts of the chemical can be found throughout your local supermarket.

IMO Adopts Fuel-Carriage Ban to Bolster 2020 Sulfur Restrictions

By Jack Wittels

The International Maritime Organization formally adopted a plan to prevent ships from carrying high-sulfur fuel for later use, a move designed to bolster the organization's broader rules to limit air pollution from vessels starting in 2020.

Cheaper EV Charging Seen Under U.K.'s First Half-Hourly Tariff

By Jeremy Hodges and Rachel Morison

Charging your electric vehicle may be about to get a whole lot cheaper.

Japan's New Solar Farms May Face Environmental Hurdles

By Brian Yap

Japan is concerned about the environmental damage that large solar farms can cause and for the first time plans to require them to file impact assessments.

Adani Goes Green in Coal Country for First Australian Project

By Ben Sharples

Adani Enterprises Ltd., best known in Australia for its stalled Carmichael coal project, is nearing completion of a solar power farm in the Bowen Basin in Queensland, a region closely associated with coal mining.

Brazil Extends Tax Breaks for Oil and Gas Equipment

By Ed Taylor

The Brazilian government moved to extend tax breaks for Brazilian-made drilling equipment, a boost for the powerful oil and gas industry.

'Blood Gold' Drives Mine-to-Market-Transparency Push

By Susanne Barton and Eddie van der Walt

It has been labeled "blood gold," a jarring phrase that ties one of the world's most valuable metals with brutal mining practices and illicit profits that legitimate miners and refiners are rushing to end.

ALL ABOUT: Abandoned Oil and Gas Wells

By Leslie A. Pappas

As many as 3 million abandoned oil and gas wells dot the U.S., many leaching methane and toxics into the air and groundwater, and even into buildings and homes. About two-thirds of these wells are not capped and those that are plugged are often sealed with cement using 1970s-era methods and materials. Roughly a quarter of those wells are in the Appalachian Basin.

Floating California Wind Turbines • If Democrats Take the House • Abandoned Oil, Gas Wells

By Susan Bruninga

Floating wind turbines could generate electricity off California's coast within a decade, but first, developers need to overcome environmental, technical, and economic challenges.

THURSDAY NIGHT WRAPUP

Offshore Drilling Effectively Banned With Oregon Governor's Order

By Paul Shukovsky

Oil and gas drilling off the coast of Oregon is effectively off the table after Gov. Kate Brown (D) ordered state agencies to take steps banning the practice.

Chevron's \$163M Settlement Appears To Be Mostly Tax Deductible

By Lydia O'Neal

Chevron U.S.A. Inc. may be able to deduct as much as \$150 million of its roughly \$163 million settlement with the federal government and Mississippi over an alleged violation of the Clean Air Act.

Grouse Ruling Spurs Government to Yank Drilling Leases in States

By Tripp Baltz

Oil and gas leasing on nearly 1 million acres in the West has been deferred because of concerns about the greater sage grouse.

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